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In re

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.104(E)

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Sir:

This communication responds to the Examiner's statement of the reasons for allowance of the claims, contained within the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed December 14, 2009.

Applicant wishes to comment on the Examiner's statements regarding the reasons for allowance of claims 1, 4-6, 8-14, 16-19, 21-26, and 31-33 by pointing out that the reasons set forth by the Examiner refer only to certain features of independent claims 1 and 31 and are not the only reason that claims 1, 4-6, 8-14, 16-19, 21-26, and 31-33 are allowable. Claim 1 and 31 may include additional patentable features or combinations of features not mentioned by the

Examiner or taught or suggested by the prior art. Additionally, each of dependent claims 4-6, 8-14, 16-19, 21-26, 32, and 33 may include additional patentable features or combinations of features not mentioned by the Examiner.

As such, claims 4-6, 8-14, 16-19, 21-26, and 31-33 may be patentable for reasons not mentioned by the Examiner as well as for those reasons mentioned by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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